Mr. S. A. Bentley
Zuni Pueblo New Mex.
1881 – July 15th.

Mrs F E A Haines
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Mr. S. A. Bentley –
Zuni Pueblo
New Mex
July 15th 81

work to Monday – 7.27/81
for weight necessary –
and Sunday
Mrs. Hollidays Wm

Dear Madame

Yours of the 4th inst – just – rec, Am sorry to say that – there is not the least prospect of the Gov of U S supplying us with a bell, I am not aware that – any application has been made, but – the Gov Will not supply other things as necessary, Which have been applied for,
As to the size of the bell needed, We need one Which could be heard distinctly 2½ miles, Recently – by, Will know how large it – should be,
We were perfectly shocked at – the news of the shooting of Pres Garfield, And are to day rejoiced to learn that – there are strong hopes of his recovery, for Which we earnestly Pray,
With many thanks for your kind Wishes
I am yours Truly S. A. Bentley

Mr. L. A. Bentley
Zuni, N. Mx
1881 – August 5th. Zuni

Mrs. F. E. H. Haines

Mr. A. L. Bentley
and 8.28/81
in part
Aug 5 to 81

Dear Madame

Yours of the 27th July at hand, contents noted, in reply will say, There is no difficulty in sending any thing to Zuni, Mark the goods intended for us, plainly to my address, at Ft Wingate New Mexico, and I will receive notice on their arrival at the Ft, and can have them shipped out to this point 45 miles,

In relation to the Bell please notify me at the earliest possible moment Whether we are to have one or no,

Very respectfully
L. A. Bentley